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October Traffic Fatality Toll

November 18, 2016 (Lincoln, Neb.) — During the month of October 2016, thirteen persons were killed in traffic crashes on Nebraska roadways, according to data collected by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

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- ◆ These 13 fatalities occurred in 13 crashes
- ◆ Nine of the 12 vehicle occupants killed were not using safety belts
- ◆ Three fatalities occurred on the interstate, eight happened on non-interstate highways, and two took place on local roads
- ◆ Eight of the fatalities occurred in rural locations
- ◆ One of the fatalities was a motorcyclist
- ◆ Seven of the fatalities were in run-off-road crashes

For the Daily Count, visit this website:

<http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/media/3340/tollcompare.pdf>

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

JANUARY THRU OCTOBER	FATALITIES	FATAL CRASHES	% CHANGE v. 2016 (FATALITIES)
2016	184	163	
2015	198	179	- 7.1
2014	193	173	- 4.7
2013	179	162	+ 2.8
2012	183	164	+ 0.5
2012-2015 Avg.	188	170	- 2.1

- ◆ There were 24 fatalities in October of 2015
- ◆ One hundred three of the 152 vehicle occupants killed during 2016 were not using safety belts (68%)
- ◆ The 13 fatalities was the second lowest total occurring in October since the state began counting fatalities in 1936 (There were 11 fatalities in October 2013.)

This report includes information available through November 17, 2016, from the Highway Safety/Accident Records Section, Traffic Engineering Division, Nebraska Department of Roads. For additional information, contact NDOR Communication Division at (402) 479-4512.